

## Message Text

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SUBJECT: BENEDICTO CRITICIZES U.S. FOR FAILURE TO RATIFY  
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1. ROBERTO BENEDICTO, CHAIRMAN OF THE PHIL. SUGAR COMMISSION, CRITICIZED U.S. FOR FAILURE TO RATIFY ISA AT THE OPENING SESSION OF THE PHIL. SUGAR TECHNOLOGIST ANNUAL CONVENTION. ACCORDING TO BENEDICTO, DELAY IN RATIFICATION IS A MAJOR REASON FOR THE CURRENT LOW WORLD MARKET PRICE FOR SUGAR SINCE U.S. REPRESENTS A LARGE PERCENTAGE OF WORLD SUGAR TRADE.
2. BENEDICTO ALSO STATED THAT LARGE QUANTITIES OF HEAVILY SUBSIDIZED EEC SUGAR TRADED OUTSIDE OF ISA WERE DEPRESSING PRICES. HE SPECULATED THAT EEC WOULD BECOME A MEMBER OF ISA ABOUT TWO MONTHS AFTER U.S. RATIFICATION.
3. COMMENT - REACTION TO THESE COMMENTS FROM DELEGATES ATTENDING CONFERENCE WAS MILD. HOWEVER, CONTINUED DELAY IN U.S. RATIFICATION IS A REAL CONCERN TO SUGARCANE PLANTERS PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF PRESENT LOW PRICE AND WORLD SURPLUS.  
END COMMENT - MURPHY

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